

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2512 - HB 2667

February 12, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires that any permanent parenting plan specifies the percentage of residential time a child spends with the mother and the father according to the residential schedule and requires the court to report such information to the Department of Human Services (DHS). Authorizes the Commissioner of DHS to promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act to effectuate the reporting requirement of this section. Requires DHS to annually prepare and issue a report on parenting plans in Tennessee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

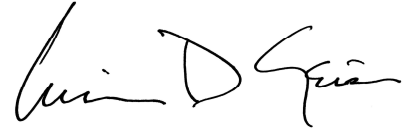
Increase State Expenditures – \$3,300/One-Time

Assumptions:

- The Commissioner of DHS will promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the reporting requirements of this section.
- The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) will collect the required information regarding the number of children to whom a parenting plan applies and the percentage of residential time each child spends with the mother and the father under that plan. To accomplish this, modifications to current parenting plan forms and reporting modules of the TnCIS program will be required, resulting in a one-time increase in expenditures of \$3,300 (44 hours x \$75 per hour).
- AOC will report the collected information to DHS, per established rules and regulations, in a format deemed acceptable by DHS.
- There will not be a significant fiscal impact on DHS to accept the information from AOC and prepare and issue an annual report on parenting plans in Tennessee. Any cost incurred can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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